



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY HISTORICAL  
LANDMARKS AND RECORDS COMMISSION  
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION  
500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 372  
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012**

**Friday, January 20, 2012**

**9:30 AM**

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (12-0440)

**Attachments:** [AUDIO](#)

Present: Chair Skelton, Commissioner Sass and Commissioner Sun

Excused: Vice Chair Duarte-White and Commissioner Monteilh

Called to order. (12-0110)

**The meeting was called to order by Chair Skelton at 9:44 a.m.**

**I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

1. Approval of the October 28, 2011 Minutes. (12-0111)

**On motion of Commissioner Sass, seconded by Commissioner Sun, unanimously carried, this item was approved.**

**Attachments:** [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

2. Election of Chair and Vice Chair to the Commission for 2012. (12-0107)

**Chair Skelton opened the floor for nominations for the 2012 election of Chair and Vice Chair to the Commission. Following discussion, Commissioner Sass nominated Louis Skelton as Chair. There being no further nominations, on motion of Commissioner Sass, seconded by Commissioner Sun, unanimously carried, Louis Skelton was elected Chair.**

**Nominations from the floor for Vice Chair followed. Commissioner Sun nominated Yolanda Duarte-White, and Commissioner Skelton nominated Stephen Sass. There being no further nominations, nominations were closed. Commissioner Sun made a motion that Yolanda Duarte-White be elected Vice-Chair. Said motion failed for a lack of a second.**

**Following further discussion, on motion of Chair Skelton, seconded by Commissioner Sun, unanimously carried, Stephen Sass was elected Vice Chair.**

## **II. REPORTS**

3. Chairman Skelton's Report for the meeting of January 20, 2012. (12-0108)

**Chair Skelton noted that Agenda Item No. 8 was being taken off of the agenda.**

4. Ex-Officio Member Reports for January 20, 2012. (12-0113)

**Ms. Susan Broman, LA County Public Library, announced the grand opening of the Topanga Public Library, located at 122 N. Topanga Canyon Blvd., on January 21, 2012, and extended invitations to the Commission and meeting attendees.**

5. Staff Report for the meeting of January 20, 2012. (12-0112)

**Ms. Nyla Jefferson, Commission Services Staff, reported that effective December 2012, the audio recording of meetings will be placed as link on the minute documents; link will be similar to the links for the supporting documents that are currently found in the minute documents.**

**Chair Skelton noted that he welcomes this technological enhancement.**

6. Recommendation: Receive and file correspondence from the Office of Historic Preservation regarding nominations of the below-named properties to the National Register of Historic Places/California Register of Historic Resources.

Listings considered:

- Wilshire Theatre
- Legg Lake Play Sculpture (11-5517)

**Following review, the Commission expressed that they were impressed with the California Register of Historical Resources nomination of the Legg Lake Play Sculptures, in South El Monte, CA.**

The Commission requested staff to send an electronic message expressing its support of the nomination to the California Register, as the State Historical Resources Commission Quarterly meeting, at which the nomination of the Legg Lake Play Sculptures was taking place, was simultaneously taking place in Chico, CA.

Therefore, on motion of Chair Skelton, seconded by Vice Chair Sass, the Commission took the following actions:

1. Received and filed the item; and
2. Instructed Commission Staff to send an electronic message, followed by a letter from the Commission, to the State Historical Resources Commission, in support of the California Register of Historical Resources nomination of Legg Lake Play Sculpture.

Ms. Arana advised that Commission that she would consult with managers to find out if sending an electronic message/letter was feasible, and report findings to Chair as soon as available. Additionally, Ms. Arana will report findings at the next Commission meeting.

Attachments:    [WILSHIRE THEATRE](#)  
                          [LEGG LAKE PLAY SCULPTURE](#)

### III. PRESENTATIONS

7. Review, discuss and provide input in the development of the State Legislative Agenda for the second year of the 2011-12 Session.

Debbie Snell  
Historical Landmarks & Records Commission Legislative Analyst  
Chief Executive Office (12-0258)

Ms. Debbie Snell, Legislative Analyst, Chief Executive Office, provided a brief overview of the legislative processes conducted in the County of Los Angeles through the Chief Executive Office. Ms. Snell distributed handouts of Board adopted recommended changes to the County's State Legislative Agenda for the second year of the 2011-2012 Session.

This State Legislative Agenda contains Board approved policies, positions, and priorities on State issues that are of interest to the County and will be pursued with Legislature, its Administration, and its agencies in the 2012 Session.

**Ms. Snell noted the Commission's interest in legislative issues regarding public records and historical preservation and plans to keep the Commission updated on related legislative outcomes. She added she will come back to the Commission prior to the next session to receive the Commission's input on any legislation related to historical records and preservation.**

**Chair Skelton thanked Ms. Snell on her informative presentation and invited her to return at a future meeting.**

**Following discussion, this item was received and filed.**

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#### **IV. DISCUSSIONS**

- 8.**    Discussion and consideration of the candidates to appoint to the Citizen's Task Force to assist the Commission with future projects. (Continued from the meeting of October 28, 2011.)

Chairman Skelton (11-3492)

**By common consent and there being no objection, this item was taken off calendar.**

- 9.**    Discussion on the feasibility of establishing a Historic Preservation Ordinance in the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County. (Continued from the meeting of October 28, 2011.)

- Chairman Skelton (11-4417)

**Chair Skelton reported that the Commission will continue to explore the feasibility of the establishment of a Historical Preservation Ordinance in the unincorporated area of Los Angeles County and will place this endeavor on the Commission's Sunset Review document as one of the Commission's goals.**

**Mr. Marcello Varala, Preservation Associate, Los Angeles Conservancy, addressed the Commission, reporting that he continues to support the Commission's efforts in establishing a historic preservation ordinance in unincorporated Los Angeles County.**

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**V. MISCELLANEOUS**

**Matters Not Posted**

10. Matters not posted on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Commission subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (12-0114)

**Chair Skelton requested staff to place an item on next Commission agenda to discuss the feasibility of developing a website for the Commission and to invite appropriate stakeholders.**

**Public Comment**

11. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (12-0109)

**Mr. Marcello Varala, Preservation Associate, Los Angeles Conservancy, addressed the Commission, updating on the progress of establishing the Maravilla Handball Court nomination to the California Register of Historical Resources. He added that in December 2011, an electrical fire occurred in the grocery store of the Maravilla structure.**

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**Adjournment**

12. Adjournment of the meeting of January 20, 2012. (12-0106)

**The meeting of January 20, 2012 adjourned at 10:42 a.m.**